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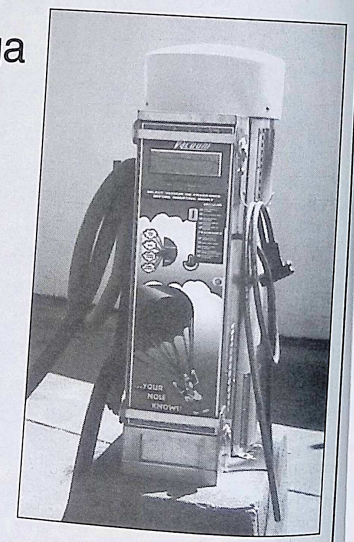

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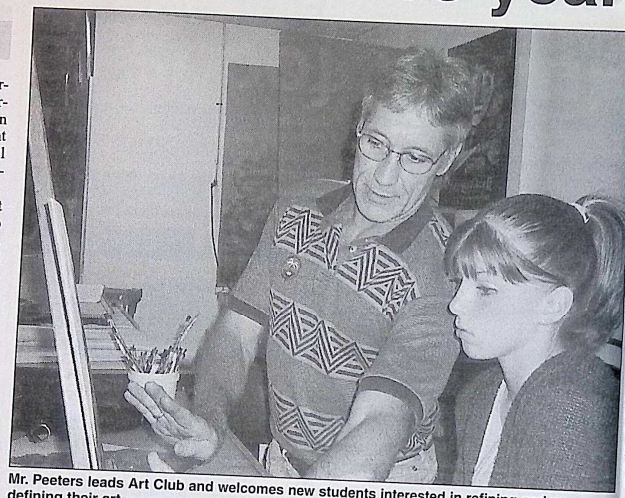
Art Club plans creative year

Lindsey Drenter
REPORTER

Art Club is an opportunity for students interested in art to develop their artistic skills further, or just to have fun. Students interested in art club should listen for an announcement about the first meeting, where the art club will discuss plans for the year and different activities to think about.

There are endless possible activities the art club could do this year. Mr. Peeters, Art Club adviser, made some suggestions for activities. He suggested that the art club organize a field trip to the Rivercenter in LeClaire, the new art gallery, the Galvin Fine Arts Center, and even a day trip to the University of Iowa Art Museum. Other ideas are sketchbook trips, movies, food, music, and open art room nights.

Art Club is for any student interested in drawing, painting, sculpting, or any other type of modern art. Students don't have to be in art classes to be in art club, and meetings will only be held about twice a month. All creative students are welcome. An informational meeting will be held sometime in the first week of October.



Mr. Peeters leads Art Club and welcomes new students interested in refining and even defining their art.

Staff Photo

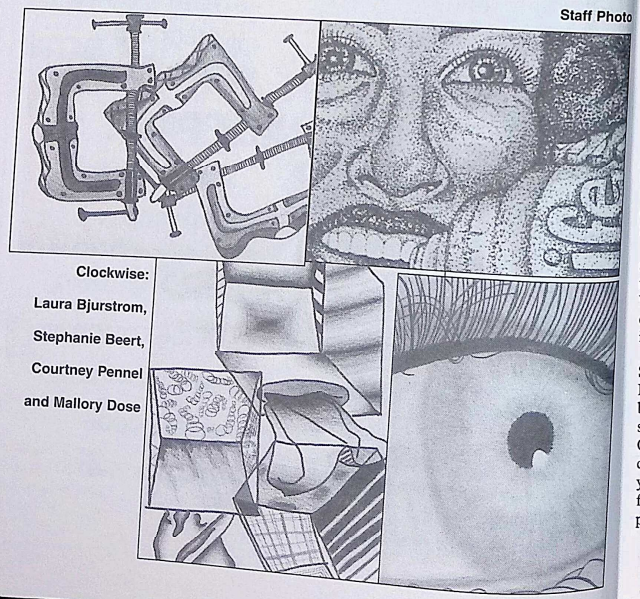
Morning Star accepting work for for spring publication

Morning Star, North Scott High School's fine art magazine, will be collecting writings, poetry, art and photography for the 2004 edition.

Submit work for consideration to Ms. Smith in room A12 or to Lindsey Drenter.

Inclusion of all entries will be made on the basis of creativity, workmanship and quality.

The goal for Morning Star 2004 is to double its pages and create an anthology which reflects the talent or North Scott Students.



Clockwise: Laura Bjurstrom, Stephanie Beert, Courtney Pennel and Mallory Dose

New principal makes acadmics priority

Abby Dickenson
REPORTER

We have many new additions to the North Scott Staff this year; one of the most important being a new principal, Dr. Terry Sherer.

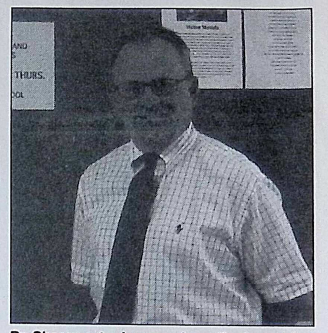
Dr. Sherer went to high school in Carthage, Illinois, went to Bradly University for college, then earned his PhD at the University of Iowa. He has two foster children, a son who is a lawyer and a daughter, who interestingly enough, is a high school drop-out; although, she did get her G.E.D. and is now an owner of her own company.

Previously he has been a principal at Oregon High School in Oregon, Illinois and at a small high school in Missouri. He was also the director of a center for the talented and gifted, and was a director of College For Kids.

He's very excited to be here at North Scott and likes what he's seen so far. Although, there are a couple of things he thinks need to change. One of the issues Dr. Sherer hopes to change is putting more emphasis on academics. He agrees that athletics are important and the athletes deserve to be recognized for their hard work, but the students who work hard for their grades deserve to be recognized as well.

Dr. Sherer wants to be as involved as possible with the school and the students. He has a goal to learn all of the student's' names in the entire school. He refers to how he plans on handling things here as a balancing act. "It's important to make sure that everyone gets equal recognition. All artists, musicians, scholars, athletes, etc... A good administrator would do that," Dr. Sherer said. One of his ideas on how to recognize more people is a new prize he calls: The Principal's Senior Of Distinction. It is an award given to different seniors involved in different things, for example, he will choose one athlete, one musician, one artist, and one scholar.

As for the dress code rumors: yes, he is planning to be more strict and make the school more professional looking. Although, some of the rumors going around the halls, like no open-toed shoes or flip-flops: false. When asked about this rumor Dr. Sherer said, "I see nothing wrong with open-toed shoes or sandals, why would I? They're comfortable, I wear them (not to work), so why would I say something was wrong with them?"



Dr. Sherer puts dress code myths to rest by admitting to liking sandals.

Photo by Abby Dickenson

There is an exciting new year starting here at North Scott that promises many new changes.

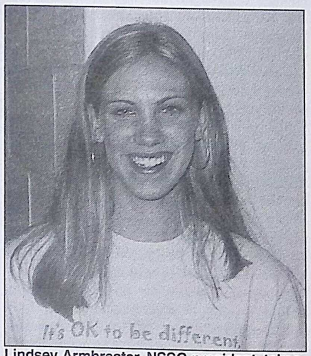
Hunger focus for NSSG

Lindasay Eickstaedt
REPORTER

Fall is a busy time of year for North Scott Student Government. The members are responsible for all Homecoming activities, and the Student Hunger Drive. This year, the kick off is the Monday of Homecoming Week, September 29.

During Homecoming, each member is assigned to a committee. Each committee does the various things seen during Homecoming Week. Sophomores also plan the dance. Some examples are the parade, days of the week, voting, and aud. committees.

In the past, Homecoming is over before the Student Hunger Drive starts. The Student Hunger Drive is a positive competition between all the area schools to see which school can collect the most food. The Quad City Student Hunger Drive is the most successful Student Hunger Drive in the US. Last year they collected over 1 million pounds of food. North Scott collected a little over 36,000 pounds of food - our goal was 35,000.



Lindsey Armbrester, NSSG president, takes on an important role leading North Scott to fill local food pantries.

There are many fundraisers done throughout the Student Hunger Drive. There has been cow patty bingo, talent shows, can collections around towns, cans for detention, B2 class competitions, hat days, just to name a few. NSSG President, Lindsey Armbrester said, "I'm excited to try some new things and involve the student body more and make a difference."

This year Student Government became a class. This is because Student Government has always had to meet outside of school - usually before school. Each day it meets in the second half skinny during third period. Ms. Mac, NSSG advisor said, "Having NSSG as a class allows students to get to know each other better and allows for better leadership training ..."

NSSG members represent the student body, at school and in the community in a positive manner. Senior class president Alex Cahill said, "I'm looking forward to meeting a lot of new people and working with faculty in a progressive and positive manner." NSSG Advisor Ms. Mac also said, "I am really pleased with the enthusiasm the students are showing... If anyone ever has any question, don't hesitate to ask any NSSG member for help."

Beware of comfort foods, they will slow you down

Andrea Nuti
HEALTH REPORTER

You've had a really bad day and all you can think about is curling up on the couch with (Insert your favorite comfort food here). What gives foods the power to soothe?

Though comfort foods can vary from culture to culture, they usually have one thing in common: carbohydrates! Eating carbs has comforting effects, including reducing pain, making you feel calm, and making you feel sleepy. So it's no wonder that our bodies crave carb-rich foods like ice cream and brownies; not only do they taste good, but they may relieve stress.

In a test done at the University of Florida, it appears that women tend to crave sweets and men tend to crave high protein, high fat foods like steak. Does this fit with your common cravings?

Other studies have shown that you can boost your alertness with protein. So to get the most beneficial effects of either the protein or carbohydrate, eat them separately. Otherwise, the alertness that protein will give you will be cancelled out by the sleep-inducing carbs.

Despite its bad rap, caffeine can do some good, in moderation of course! Caffeine is a mild stimulant that can be an effective antidepressant. It's also proven to improve mental clarity and agility, which makes it helpful a few hours before an important test or meeting. So there's a good reason you can use to drink pop! (Notice, I said a pop, meaning a few, n a lot!)

Darn it! Did you forget something at home in your locker again? Did you know egg improve memory and concentration? Egg have a nutrient that has been linked to help pr vent Alzheimer's disease and poor memor later on in life. What a good excuse to put egg in your diet!

You'd need a medical degree to understan the complex interactions of digestion, hor mones and blood chemistry. But all you rea ly need to know is this: Bad foods equals ba moods. Listen to your body. Don't deny crav ings. It's ok to have a little chocolate (in fact research has shown that nothing else can satis fy a chocolate craving) just be sure to balance it out with less-fattening, less-sugary foods.

California Recall Problems Continue

Lindsey Epkes
REPORTER

Last Monday, the California recall fiasco escalated when a court ruled the October 7 recall election be postponed, most likely until the March 2 statewide primary.

The ruling came from a San Francisco based appeals court that postponed the election, until six counties had replaced their punch card ballots. These were the same ballots and machines that had created the controversy in Florida during the 2000 presidential election. The machines and punch card ballots could be responsible for 40,000 votes not counted if used October 7, claimed the American Civil Liberties Union.

The postponement has only further aggravated many California citizens. "I said when it first started it was going to be a circus, and now it is, there are a lot of people, like me, who are ready to say forget it," said Lowery, 42 of Tustin, California. More citizens are questioning how Davis can begin to solve California's economic problems with his focus on campaigning. However, there are citizens who still continue to support the recall whatever it takes.

It was California's Secretary of State Kevin Shelley who asked the appeals court to reverse Money's ruling. Shelly made the point that the California Constitution states that the election be held no later than 80 days from when enough valid signatures had been achieved. The 897,158 required signatures had to be of registered voters from the previous governor election who were in favor of recall. Lawyers for Shelley also wrote, "Moreover, the panel cannot downplay the injury to the public interest the order would inflict by saying they are just postponing the election for a few months."

More problems may arise concerning the postponement when some candidates don't have the financial means to support a campaign for the next five months. California has already sent out 2 million absentee ballots, 13 million ballot pamphlets, and sample ballot's have been sent out by California's 58 counties.

A federal appeals court consisting of an 11 judge panel now has the power to overturn Monday's ruling or stand behind the previous court decision. If overturned the election date will be back to October 7. This decision can still be appealed to the U..S. Supreme Court. So far poll workers are still going to work and voters are being told to continue to send in their absentee ballots.

(Information used for this article partly taken from MSNBC)

Patriot Act: More than we thought?

Lindsay Eickstaedt
REPORTER

After the 9/11 attacks, Congress wanted to ensure Americans of their security. They passed the Patriot Act on January 18, 2001. The bill states that "the civil rights and liberties of all Americans, including Arab Americans, must be protected."

This means that the government can basically do anything to stop 'terrorists' from attacking our country. The Federal Bureau of Investigation can now find out if you pay bills online, the account numbers, the network addresses and how long you are on the internet.

Looks like we all better watch what we say or do now over the internet!

Some people I have talked to about the act said they were for it if it stopped terrorists. Others said they didn't care because it didn't affect them. That's where they are wrong: it DOES affect them. Be careful about what you check out of the library because the FBI can go in and find what is was. LaWanda Roudebush, library director at the Davenport Public Library, said "We feel that our patrons have a right to their confidentiality as given to them by the First Amendment."

The Patriot Act is far from what the name suggests. A patriot is defined as one who loves, supports and defends their country. This act goes against the First Amendment of the Constitution which was compiled by real patriots.

SADD mission goes beyond drinking

Allison Witt
GUEST REPORTER

Mr. Denner leads SADD twice each month and encourages more students to join

Staff Photo

As of 1997, Students Against Drunk Driving changed its name to Students Against Destructive Decisions. Not only did the name change, but the mission as well.

Following the name change SADD expanded the mission to include increasing awareness in other areas such as drug use and teen suicide. They hope to raise public awareness to these problems as well as their previous message of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Randy Denner, head superviser of SADD thinks it is a great way to let teenagers know the dangers of drugs, suicide and drinking and driving. "I think the name change has helped us to raise public awareness that teens have many important decisions to make on a variety of issues, not whether to drink and drive, but not whether to abuse drugs too, " Denner said.

Activities that SADD will be organizing are Grim Reaper, the traditional simulation of a car crash before Prom, and reading to elementary students during Red Ribbon week. "I feel very confident that this will be a great year. Everyone is welcome to attend SADD activities and have fun in a safe, drug-free atmosphere," Denner said.

Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 am in Mr. Denner's room (A11). Everyone interested is welcome to attend.

Homecoming voting procedures outlined

by Ms. Mac, Student Government Advisor

How are the members of the Homecoming Court selected? What happens after the vote is taken? How do you know the voting is as fair as it can be? For those of you who are new to North Scott, these are valid questions. First of all, to avoid conflict of interest, no seniors are on the Homecoming Voting Committee, which is responsible for all the preparations for both Homecoming votes: the senior vote to determine the Homecoming Court and then the all school vote for the king and queen.

Following the September 23rd vote, the next step in the process is the all-school vote which will take place on September 30th, the day after the Homecoming Court is announced. All students will vote in their first period class. Students who do not have a first period class may vote in the Guidance Office. You will be voting for one female candidate on one form marked "G" and one male candidate on another form marked "B". All candidates will be listed in alphabetically order and you will not be voting for couples. Only ballots marked with a #2 pencil
and having one vote marked will be counted. The Homecoming Voting Committee
is involved in preliminary planning only, not the actual vote tabulation. The results will be checked carefully by me and another faculty member several times. The results are on a "need to know" basis until the Pep Aud Thursday, October 2.

If you have any questions about the process, please stop in and see me in Room A8. Go Lancers, Skin the Cats!

Street Smarts

What famous historical document begins with this phrase:

"We the people of the United States..."

Tom Pearce:
"Bible"

Steve Fink:
"First Amendment"

Matt Poirer:
"Constitution"

Kristen Sleep:
"Pledge of Allegence"

New Faces at North Scott

Megan Norman

Birthday: June 8th
Favorite Actress: Julia Roberts
Favorite Movie: Pretty Woman
Favorite Food: pizza
Favorite Cartoon Character: Sponge Bob
Favorite Radio Station: 103.7
Favorite Song: "Great Indoors," David Grey
Favorite Color: blue
Dream Car: SUV
Dream Job: teacher - "I am living this dream."
Current Job: college student
Favorite Subject: English
Most Admired Person: parents
Most Memorable Moment: graduating from college
Activities at NS: teaching
Life Goals: retire from teaching in 25 years
Hobbies: running & swimming

Colin Wikon

Birthday: October 27th
Favorite Actor/Actress: Samuel L. Jackson
Favorite Movie: Tombstone & Pulp Fiction
Favorite Food: pizza
Favorite Cartoon Character: Yosemite Sam or Road Runner
Favorite Song: "Crazy Game of Poker," O.A.R.
Quote to Live By: "If all you talk about is what you've accomplished in the past, then you have not done much today," by Lou Holtz
Favorite Color: blue
Dream Car: Dodge Hemi or Corvette Sting Ray
Dream Job: Millionare or CEO of some major company
Current Job: mathematics/computer instructor
Favorite Subject: math
Most Admired Person: Dan Gable
Most Memorable Moment: Placing at the state wrestling tournament in high school
Most Embarrasing Moment: when I rear ended my friend in high school because I was checking out some classmates
Activities at NS: freshman wresting coach
Life Goals: teach for a while and then hopefully get into administration
Hobbies: excercising, listen to music, reading, & various athletics

Jason Schroeder

Birthday: November 4th
Favorite Actor/Actress: Mel Gibson
Favorite Movie: The Patriot
Favorite Food: steak
Favorite Radio Station: 93.5
Favorite Song: Shake Ya Tailfeather
Quote to Live By: "Live each day to the fullest."
Favorite Color: red
Dream Car: Escalade
Dream Job: to ba a college basketball coach at a Division I school
Current Job: Special Education/Keyboarding teacher
Favorite Subject: Prep class!
Most Admired Person: Dad
Activities at NS: coach girls basketball and junior high boys track
Life Goals: to become an administrator

Justin Thies

Birthday: November 11th
Favorite Actor/Actress: Mel Gibson
Favorite Movie: Braveheart, The Patriot, & Full Metal Jacket
Favorite Food: steak
Favorite Cartoon Character: Superman
Favorite Radio Station: 106.5
Favorite Song: anything by Elvis
Quote To Live By: "Suck it up"
Favorite Color: black
Dream Car: Wooden Station Wagon
Dream Job: retired teacher
Current Job: Special Education teacher and coach
Favorite Subject: school all day
Most Admired Person: my father
College: Western Illinois University
Activities at NS: football coach
Life Goals: to be a school admnistrator
Hobbies: fishing, cooking, & watching movies

Diana Smith

Birthday: July 14th
Children: Todd, Erin, Ashley, & grandson Lucas
Favorite Actor/Actress: Tom Hanks & Kathryn Hepburn
Favorite Movie: 1939 version of Wuthering Heights
Favorite Food: salmon from Miss Mamies
Favorite Cartoon Character: Mickey Mouse
Favorite Song: "Amazing Grace"
Quote To Live By: "I took the one <road> less traveled by, and that has made all the difference."
Favorite Color: maroon
Dream Car: one that runs well
Dream Job: one in which 100% of the students love to read
Current Job: NSHS language arts & psychology teacher
Favorite Subject: African American Literature
Most Admired Person: someone who resides in another dimension
Most Memorable Moment: births of my children
College: Augustana
Activities at NS: Morning Star
Life Goals: To finish my MA & travel to Germany & Switzerland
Hobbies: old house renovation, genealogy, flute, reading

Jenee Erno

Christina Page-Fagerland

Birthday: December 8th
Favorite Actor/Actress: Kevin Spacey or Morgan Freeman
Favorite Movie: Amelie or French Kiss
Favorite Food: I love almost all food
Favorite Cartoon Character: Road Runner
Favorite Radio Station: 99.7
Favorite Song: "Bing me to life," Evanescence (for now...)
Quote To Live By: "Choices are the hinges of destiny."
Favorite Color: Black
Dream Car: any classic corvette or old porsche
Dream Job: What could be better than teaching at North Scott?
Current Job: teacher, track coach, cross country coach
Favorite Subject: English of course!
Most Admired Person: my husband
Most Memorable Moment: seeing the look on my husband's face as I walked down the isle at our wedding
College: University of Missouri
Activities at NS: track coach and junior high cross country coach
Life Goals: go wherever life takes me
Hobbies: eating, watching movies with my hubby, working out, anything art related

Jason Curtis

Birthday: February 4th
Favorite Actor: Robert Deniro
Favorite Movie: Gladiator
Favorite Food: shrimp, crab
Favorite Cartoon Character: Tazmanian Devil
Favorite Song: "The Wall," Pink Floyd
Quote To Live By: "Get what you put in"
Favorite Color: red
Dream Car: 2004 Toyota 4 Runner
Dream Job: teaching & coaching at NS
Current Job: teacher's aid is social studies
Favorite Subject: American history
Most Admired Person: my mom
Most Memorable Moment: coaching baseball & beating #3 team in state
Most Embarrasing Moment: breaking a blood vessel lifting weights
College: St. Ambrose University
Activities at NS: baseball, football
Life Goals: be a role model and lead by example

Karen Boehl

Birthday: October 23rd
Favorite Actor/Actress: Ashton Kutcher & Drew Barrymore
Favorite Movie: Breakfast Club
Favorite Food: lasagne
Favorite Cartoon Character: Stewie Griffin
Favorite Song: "Tiny Dancer," Elton John
Quote To Live By: "Life is too important to be taken seriously."
Favorite Color: blue
Dream Car: Jetta
Dream Job: Have a talk show with my sister
Current Job: special education teacher
Most Admired Person: my mom
Most Memorable Moment: went on cruise with my family to the Bahamas
Most Embarrasing Moment: In high school softball and hit a homerun but was called out because I missed home plate.
College: Western Illinois University
Hobbies: concerts, musicals, movies

LeeAnn Webb

Birthday: January 28th
Favorite Actress: Emma Thompson & Meg Ryan
Favorite Movie: The Matrix, Shakespeare in Love, Dead Again
Favorite Food: pizza, pasta, chocolate
Favorite Cartoon Character: Sylvester the cat
Favorite Radio Station: Q106.5
Favorite Song: "It's All Been Done," by The Barenaked Ladies
Quote To Live By: "What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."
Favorite Color: orange, yellow
Dream Car: Chevelle
Dream Job: teaching
Current Job: NS english teacher
Favorite Subject: English
Most Admired Person: William Shakespeare
Most Memorable Moment: sharing my wedding day with friends and family
Most Embarrasing Moment: falling along a major highway while running
College: Eastern Illinois University
Hobbies: reading, scrapbooking, spending time with my husband, Dave

Mark Goodwin

Birthday: January 3rd
Favorite Actor: Nicholas Cage
Favorite Movie: Con Air, Back Draft
Favorite Food: Mexican
Favorite Radio Station: 89.3 F.M.
Favorite Song: "It's Your Love," Tim McGraw & Faith Hill
Quote To Live By: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."
Favorite Color: blue, black
Dream Car: Z71 full size 2003 Chevy short bed pick-up
Dream Job: teaching (with better pay though)
Current Job: teacher (1/2 time special education & 1/2 time weight-training)
Favorite Subject: All-math, english, PE, weight-training
Most Admired Person: Jesus Christ
Most Memorable Moment: getting married, football in college
College: Augustana College
Activities at NS: FCA, football, baseball
Life Goals: to be a great teacher, husband, and coach
Hobbies: going out to eat with my wife

Aaron Schroeder
OP/ED EDITOR

Lance editorial page remains forum for student expression

This is the forty-sixth year of North Scott High's school publication, The Lance. It is important that readers understand that the duty of the Lance is not only to publish information to readers but to represent all of the North Scott students in a fair and equitable way.

This year, we want the Lance to continue to be a forum for student opinions as well as an informational source of news and features. This year, however the editorial page is going under some drastic changes.

In an attempt to represent groups accurately, no editorials will be published without careful review by the editorial board, editorial director, and Lance supervisor. Basically, the Lance doesn't want you to embarrass yourself anymore than you want to see yourself embarrassed.

Letters to the editor must be turned in no less than one week prior to the final article deadline (see Ms. Keck for dates). Again, it is important that the Lance staff has time to review your letter and determine its individuality in comparison with other articles awaiting publication.

No letters to the editor will be accepted without a date or name of the author. Also, all letters should be given in person to a member of the Lance staff or Ms. Keck. It is important to ensure the validity of any editorial author appearing in the Lance.

The Lance is not only interested in student editorials. We also have sections for entertainment, sports, and local and national news; any articles from these categories are appreciated also--again, please submit these articles to Ms. Keck no later than one week prior to publication.

A part of the Lance that we would like to develop is reader feedback. This relates not only to letters to the editor, but the Lance staff also wants to know what students would like to see. Please give any suggestions to a Lance staff member or Ms. Keck.

Bush, a man without a plan

Brittany Clemens
REPORTER

First things first-and you can set this aside for future reference-George Bush was wrong once again. Not that this is a new revelation, he's been consistently wrong since his landslide victory in 2000.

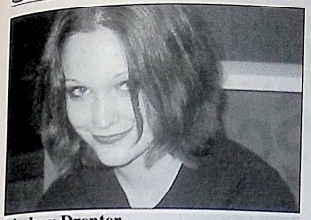
Even though he ignored the international community in their requests for delay, Bush sent troops to Iraq to fight a war about terrorism, September 11th and weapons of mass destruction. Surprisingly, no one in the Bush administration has shown the country any evidence of Iraq's ties to any of these things since the State of the Union address. At first, I will admit that things were going okay, but now that Saddam's regime has toppled, Iraq is out of control and the United States has managed to retain our position at the top of the 'Most Hated Nations' list. And it's not like the Iraqi people really enjoyed Saddam's reign, they just don't enjoy King George's reign much better.

So as if that high position weren't high enough, Bush decided to ignore the pleas for American intervention in the war ravaged country of Liberia for weeks. This being the same president who took a trip to Africa and pledged support to the suffering war plagued citizens.

Then again it's only like Bush to have taken so long distributing aid to a country in the middle of a civil war. Liberia is a small poor country with very few natural resources, where as Iraq is a huge rich country filled with oil. Not that the war in Iraq had anything to do with money or Bush's increased testosterone levels.

And finally, now that Bush has decided to help the citizens of Liberia, he's given troops till October 1 to do what they can. But I can guarantee Bush won't soon be setting any deadlines on the war in Iraq, because, after all, it could send out the message that maybe, he was wrong.

Sven Carlson



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REPORTER

Dress code confusion and controversy

Until recently, at North Scott, no dress code has been enforced. Since school started this year, students have been wondering why and how the dress code has changed. Teachers and students both have no complete understanding of what the dress code is. It is a puzzle to all of us, made up of random emails to teachers and announcements, rumors circulated by staff and students, and an article in the North Scott Press.

Administrators have gathered all kinds of different information about the dress code, because it has not been published anywhere officially. The only documentation available to students about the dress code is in the student planner. The dress code has changed and new restrictions have been added, but not in a comprehensive form available to students.

Dr. Scherer has been the enforcer of this new policy. In an interview on North Scott News, he said, "We're preparing students for the workplace." He also said, "This is where you go to work," and "We believe it is very important to set a certain standard for appearance." Dr. Scherer is enforcing this idea with the new dress code. The problem with this idea is that students don't want to go into a workplace when they come to school. Many students work and have a clear understanding of proper dress. School clothes and work attire are often different, we know this. Why does this point need to be made in such an extreme manner?

In an email to all the staff, Dr. Scherer explained new restrictions of dress that are not in the planner. He says, "Halter tops and 'the one strap across the shoulder top' are the same and inappropriate for the workplace." There have been several other emails, teachers' meetings and announcements that have said something additional about dress code.

Girls are confused about whether or not they can wear spaghetti strapped tank tops. There is nothing in the planner about tank tops, but some teachers are under the conception that girls cannot wear them. In an email sent to teachers, Dr. Scherer states, "I hesitate to do a frontal attack on this form of (un)dress (spaghetti straps) since we did not specifically 'codify' it in our list." Upon seeing this email, administrators agreed that there is no specific rule against tank tops. Dr. Sherer has not made an official statement on this.

Mr. Chelf, Dean of Students, said, "99 percent of the students asked to change have been females." Although Dr. Sherer mentioned that he has personally asked five boys to change, not much attention has been paid to boys' dress. The attack has been aimed at girls primarily.

It seems that girls with bigger chests are expected to wear baggy clothes, otherwise they are told to change. Girls are reprimanded for having visible bra straps and shirts that complement their chests, but some girls can't help this. The way the dress code is being enforced is making girls feel uncomfortable and ashamed of their bodies.

Although I did not specifically codify the first and fourteenth amendments in this article (for those of you that don't know them), they guarantee us to the right of free expression. Also, as a courtesy, I will mention that there is a free expression law in Iowa, and several other states, that gives students of public schools specific rights of free expression. For more information, go to www.splc.org.

Reality needs some reality

Lindsay Epkes
REPORTER

For as long as Reality TV has been a part of our lives I continue to wonder how these shows manage to find the same pathetic, self-centered contestants for each show.

These programs are scraping the bottom of the barrel of our society. It's ridiculous how these individuals behave and frankly I'd rather believe people don't actually act this way. They go onto these reality shows for their 15 seconds of fame.

I would like to know if some of these young ladies are keeping in mind that their parents are watching these shows. And how do you return back to normal life knowing your boss, your work colleges, family, and friends all were able to see just how shallow you are or that you choked down eight slugs for money.

They continue to come out with even more reality shows because the audience can't help but watch the humiliation, it's a real life soap opera.

I would just like once to see someone with a set of morals and values be on one of these shows, to represent our country a little better.

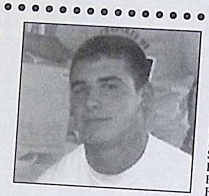
Girls at North Scott are careful not to be a distraction to the working environment

Senior Spotlight

Lindsay Schneckloth

Softball

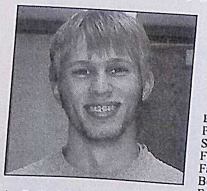
Birthday: August 11th
Parents: Roger and Irene
Siblings: Jeni & Nick Kremer
Favorite Actor/Actress: Adam Sandler and Lisa Kudrow
Favorite Movie: Coyote Ugly & Friends is the best TV show
Favorite Food: My mom's peppered steak
Favorite Radio Station: 99.7 & 98.9
Favorite Song: "Time of my Life," Dirty Dancing
Quote to Live By: Keep on Trucking
Favorite Color: Baby Blue
Dream Car: Yellow Lambourgini or Silver Celica
Dream Job: Be a coach
Current Job: Unemployed
Favorite Subject: Espanol con Senor Hawley...LOL
Most Admired Person: Dallas because he's cool
Most Memorable Moment: Winning the State Championship in softball
Most Embarrasing Moment: Splitting my pants at Lindsey Creedon's
College Goals: be an all-american for something or just graduate
Activities at NS: softball, volleyball, and tennis
Life Goals: get married and have kids
Hobbies: Just chill with friends



Dallas Cawiezell

Baseball

Name: Dallas Cawiezell
Birthday: September 4th
Parents: Scott and Pat Cawiezell
Siblings: Ben
Favorite Movie: Super Troopers
Favorite Food: tacos
Favorite Cartoon Character: Johny Chimpo
Favorite Radio Station: 93.5
Favorite Color: red
Dream Car: Chevy Silverado
Dream Job: unemployed
Current Job: unemployed
Favorite Subject: Teacher Helper with Mrs. Lane
Most Admired Person: My brother
Most Memorable Moment: getting 2nd at state in basketball
Most Embarrassing Moment: 60 hours of community service for being lead astray by Drew Koranda and his bad boy ways
College goals: graduate
Activities at NS: football, basketball, track, baseball
Life Goals: go to college
Hobbies: sports, friends, movies, girlfriend



Ben Dau

Lancer Productions President

Birthday: April 17th
Parents: Mike & Pam Dau
Siblings: Caitlin & Andrew
Favorite Actor/Actress: Sean Connery
Favorite Movie: Matrix, Gladiator, & Bowling for Columbine
Favorite Food: Yes "all"
Favorite Radio Station: KNSH & 98.9
Favorite Song: "Flood," by Jars of Clay
Quote to Live By: "Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out just how far one can go"
Favorite Color: green
Dream Job: pastor & missionary
Current Job: sandwich maker at Legends Deli
Favorite Subject: math & english
Most Memorable Moment: Performing at International Thespian Festival
College Goals: going to Wartburg for a degree in Religious Theatre
Activities at NS: drama, LP President
Life Goals: be a missionary, pastor, & get married
Hobbies: reading, camping, & playing chess

Kendra Suiter

Student Government Vice President

Birthday: November 11th
Parents: John & Keri Suiter
Siblings: Colin
Favorite Actor/Actress: Paul Walker & Taye Diggs
Favorite Movie: 2 Fast 2 Furious
Favorite Food: Legend Deli
Favorite Radio Station: 99.7 & 98.9
Favorite Song: "Get Low" & "Hey Ma"
Quote to Live By: "God didn't promise days without pain, laughter without sorrow, or sun without rain, but he did promise strength for the day, comfort for the tears, & light the way."
Favorite Color: purple & blue
Dream Car: orange & silver Porsche Boxter 911
Dream Job: FBI
Current Job: North Scott Foods
Favorite Subject: Humanities & Spanish IV
Most Admired Person: Lori Osterberg
Most Memorable Moment: Sophomore BC with Drew Dodds & winning state in softball in 2002
Most Embarrassing Moment: getting stuck in Kevin Olsen's ditch trying to back out of the driveway
College Goals: attend 4 year college major in criminal investigation, law, & psychology
Activities at NS: Student Government, National Honor Society, FCA, Cross Country, Tennis, Softball
Life Goals: travel the world, have a wonderful family, and live on the beach
Hobbies: hanging out with friends and attending NS activities

Lion King at IMAX spectacular show

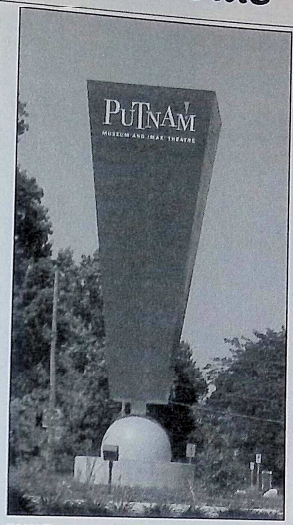
Lindsay Eickstaedt
REPORTER

IMAX Theaters have joined together with Disney to bring "The Lion King" to the large screen. "The Lion King" opened in the Davenport Imax Theather/ Putnum Museum in mid-July and ended September 4. Running time is about 1 hour and 30 minutes and like all Disney films, is full of color and great music.

The African desert is the setting for this animated Disney story of a young lion cub, Simba. As the heir to the throne, Simba is threatened by his uncle, Scar, to leave the kingdom. Scar, who ripped the crown from his brother, Mufasa, wants only power and lets the hyenas rule the kingdom to destitution.

With the all-digital movie, the picture is life-like and the 12,000 watt all-digital sound system makes the Academy-award winning music just one of the many perks of going to the Imax to see "The Lion King." Ticket prices were increased for this showing to ten dollars, instead of the usual $7.50.

Many have seen "The Lion King" in the movie theater, or in their home, but the Imax experience is something special.



IMAX Theater in Davenport creates a moving experience through clear sound and a 70 foot screen

Photo by Jessica Zeimet

Did You Know: "The Lion King" earned an amazing $300 million in the box office and was the highest grossing animated film until recently, when "Finding Nemo" booted it off the top spot.

Blood thirsty pair duke out

Brittany Clemens
REPORTER

Since the 1980's horror film fans have been awaiting a full out battle between sequel kings Freddy Kruger and Jason Voorhees. This summer the wait became worth it in the creatively titled Freddy vs. Jason.

Even if you've never seen any Nightmare on Elm Street or Friday the 13th movies, you won't be lost in this film. The story begins with Freddy, who has been long forgotten by the families living on Elm Street. searching for a way to get back in the dreams of children. He comes up with a plan to use Jason to revive the Freddy legacy. This plan of course backfires as Jason becomes bloodthirsty and won't stop killing even after Freddy has seeped back into memory. A group of teenagers who seem plagued by the murders begin to meddle in the monster mash and piece together the entire story. Their involvement, of course, is the solution to everything with very little police involvement and a few friends killed in action along the way.

Walking into this movie I expected it to be, well, the biggest waste of $8.50, but it actually wasn't terrible. I could never really get into the whole 'Freddy Kruger' thing, but Robert Englund did a good job portraying him.

This movie is rated "R" and for reason. This movie is violent and gory, and there is also nudity and language. An Oscar nominee? Most likely not, but it's a good movie for a Friday night.

We'll be there tonight with our "Friends"

Lindsey Epkes
REPORTER

Friends will premiere tonight, September 25 on NBC for their final season. For the past nine seasons now Friends has lead us in circles around Ross and Rachel, yet we always somehow believed they were destined for each other. When Joey was introduced into the mix last season, it left us wondering. So let's consider the possible scenarios for next season, and what's going to become of our six friends...

Scenario 1: Who knows maybe Joey will proceed to fall even harder for Rachel and maybe he'll pop the question a few episodes down the road. And all our favorite guest stars like Janice, Paulo, Gunther, and others will show up to share in the happy wedding. But when it comes to "I take thee..." perhaps Rachel will ironically say I take thee Ross instead of Joey. Or maybe...

Scenario 2: Phoebe's "Smelly Cat" video will resurface and she'll land a record deal. She'll become an instant hit going on to win numerous Emmys. Her music will spawn into a worldwide Phoebe phenomenon like the Beatles, with "Smelly Cat" lunch boxes and all that jazz. Although this scenario has nothing to do with our Rachel, Ross, and Joey triangle it's still fun to think about. So anyway, Phoebe will go on to marry Mike (guest star from last season) and they'll live a glamorous lifestyle but come on, can she really marry a guest star? So maybe...

Scenario 3: Ross finds out about Joey and Rachel and so both Ross and Joey fight for Rachel's heart. Rachel finally realizes she's always loved Ross and Joey bows out. Later Joey finds comfort from his friend Phoebe and they fall in love and from there on out it's a battle of the wits. I wonder how their children would turn out? So in the end all our six friends would forever be together. But perhaps this scenario is a little too cheesy and tacky so maybe...

Scenario 4: Ross and Joey are still fighting over Rachel. They both end up proposing and so Rachel is forced to do a lot of soul searching to decide who she loves. In this scenario when it comes down to it Rachel chooses neither of them and instead she falls in love with Gunther from Central Perk. Now Gunther seems to be quite and "attractive" man and is always overlooked so this is his time to shine. But maybe Gunther doesn't fit the typical hunk the audience is expecting so he's out. So maybe...

Scenario 5: Joey and Rachel will end up getting married and living happily ever after. Maybe Phoebe will marry Mike. Maybe Ross will marry Charlie (guest star from last season) but then as it is Ross, he'll typically have to get divorced. And he'll have to join some sort of support groups for divorced men like himself where he'll sit and talk about his feelings. Or maybe...

You could just watch what happens tonight on NBC at 7.

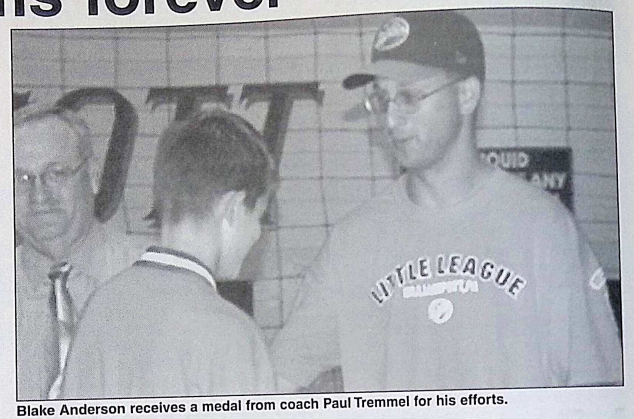
Little Leaguers come home with dreams forever

Nick Dose
REPORTER

Zero wins and three losses is what the Eldridge, Iowa, Midwest champions came home from Williamsport with officially. Even though the kids didn't come home with a win they came home with memories to savor for an eternity.

After the Little Leaguers won the Midwest Championship against South Dakota it was off to Willamsport, Pennsylvania to face first-round opponent, Richmond, Texas. Right away it did not fair well for the kids. Starting pitcher Matt Peterson loaded the bases and Robert Psenka hit a bases loaded double which scored two runs. Brian Foster then hit a single that scored Garret Staudt, and Pskena came home after an infield error. After the first inning of play it was 4-0 in favor of Richmond, Texas. The little leaguers eventually lost the game 7-2. Coach Paul Tremmel said, "If they make the plays they usually make, it's a much closer game."

In the second game of pool play North Scott played Wilmington, Delaware. This game is a case where the little leaguers played their own worst enemy. North Scott committed 5 errors, a day after 4 errors kept them from beating Texas. The beginning of the game it looked promising as North Scott's bats were alive scoring 7 runs in the first three innings of play. That is all the boys would score and Delaware came back with some offense of their own. Corey Firmani from Delaware hit a solo shot along with four other Wilmington hits in the 4th inning to rally back. An infield single proved to be the winning run in the 5th by Firmani once again. North Scott had another chance to score but could not do so with the heart of their line up facing Wilmington Pitcher David Mastro who had 13 strikeouts in the game. North Scott was officially eliminated from advancing any farther in the tournament.



Blake Anderson receives a medal from coach Paul Tremmel for his efforts.

Staff Photo

"You've got to be your best every game, these teams are all top of the line."

Finally playing for respect and for some fun North Scott played the undefeated Chandler, Arizona team. North Scott jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the beginning stages of the game with Elliot Schlabach crushing a leadoff homerun when the North Scott team batted around the order. Then Cory Bernard and the Chandler, Arizona team found their fire. Bernard tied the little league world series record with three homeruns in one game. Bernard hit a 2 run shot in the bottom of the first to make the score 5-2. Justin Rosales hit a two run homerun of his own and Bernard tied the game with a solo dong to make it 5-5 through 2 innings. North Scott answered with 2 runs in the 4th with Schlabach scoring on a wild pitch and Petersen driving in a run with a double. Arizona answered when Bernard hit his second 2 run homerun and third homerun of the game to tie the game at 7-7 and go into extra innings. North Scott didn't score in the top of the seventh. Matt Peterson could no longer pitch so North Scott brought in Michael Cranston. Michael loaded the bases and eventually hit Cory Bernard to bring in the winning run.

Although the kids did not win a game their spirits were still high and many of them were happy just to go to the World Series. Connor Paulsen put it best when asked what was his favorite part of Williamsport, "The rec-rooms were cool, where you played all the games, oh I also like my diving catch at second base." Baseball was the little leaguers summer and they made the best out of it.

Fall Sports Schedule

Soph/Varsity Football

Sept 25	4:45 A West
Oct 3	4:45 H North (HC)
Oct 10	4:45 A Assumption
Oct 17	4:45 H Burlington
Oct 24	4:45 H Clinton

JV Football

Sept 29	6:00 A Bettendorf
Oct 13	6:30 H DeWitt

Freshman Football

Sept 30 6:00 A North (Brady St)
Oct 4 10:00 A Assumption
Oct 7 6:00 H Assumption
Oct 14 6:00 A Bettendorf
Oct 18 10:00 A Bettendorf
Oct 21 6:00 H Muscatine
Oct 23 6:00 H DeWitt

Boys Golf

Sept 25 9:00 A Iowa City Tourn
Sept 29 9:00 A MACConf @ Emeis
Oct 2 A PV @ Hidden Hills
Oct 7 9:00 A Districts
Oct 10,11 A State @ Ft. Dodge

Soph/Varsity Volleyball

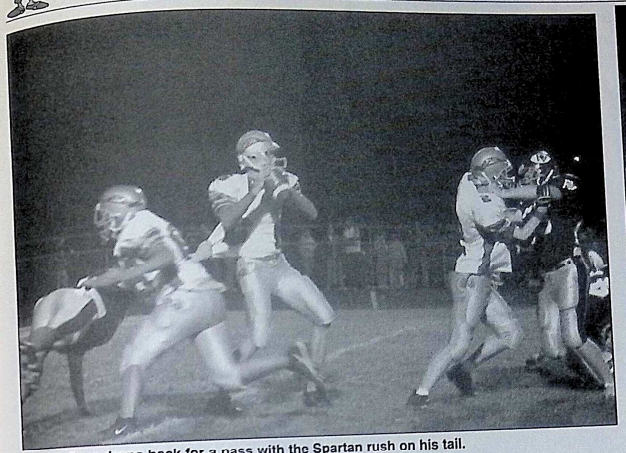
Sept 27 9:00 A Clinton (Soph)
Sept 27 9:00 A Cedar Falls (V)
Sept 30 5:45 A Clinton
Oct 9 5:45 H West
Oct 11 9:00 A Bett Inv
Oct 8:30 H Soph Lancer Inv
Oct 14 5:45 H Burlington
Oct 16 5:45 A Assumption
Oct 27 Districts

Fresh Volleyball

Sept 29 4:30 A Muscatine
Sept 30 4:00 H Bettendorf (gold)
Oct 4 9:00 A Wilton Inv
Oct 7 6:00 A PV
Oct 9 4:00 H DeWitt
Oct 18 8:30 A West Inv
Oct 21 H Clinton (black)

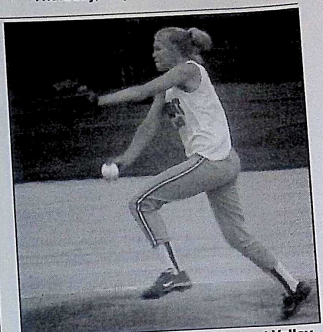
Boys/Girls Cross Country

Sept 26 3:45 A Rock Island
Sept 30 5:00 A Bettendorf
Oct 4 9:40 A Clinton
Oct 9 5:00 A DeWitt
Oct 16 3:30 A MAC
Oct 23 A Districts



Keaton Frye drops back for a pass with the Spartan rush on his tail.

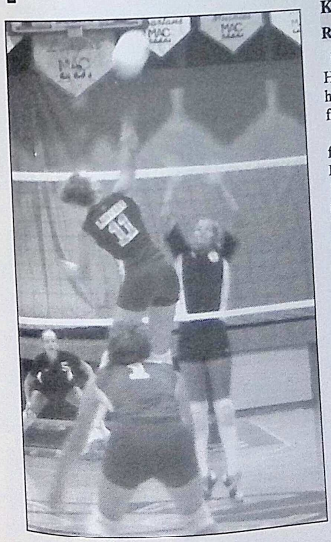
Photo by Todd Johnson



Sarah Kilen pitches against Pleasant Valley Spartans leading to another victory

Staff Photo

Lancer girls' finally pound North



Kelly Moeller
REPORTER

Despite humbling losses versus Dubuque Hempstead and Dubuque Senior, you won't hear anything but optimistic voices coming from this year's volleyball team.

The Lady Lancers opened their MAC conference season September 11th, defeating Davenport North 25-22, 15-22, 25-15, and 25-15. While any win is cause for celebration, this victory was especially momentous for the Lancers. Davenport North is a consistent powerhouse, and North Scott hasn't beaten the team in at least 20 years.

With returning starters Eden Olsen, Lindsey Schneckloth, Dana Kirby, Molli Hermiston, Natalie Glunz, and Michelle Kutmas, the team is starting off their season with confidence and high goals.

"I think we're going to win the MAC championship and do very well at state, " says returning senior Eden Olsen.

The team hopes to bounce back after a disappointing loss to Bettendorf last Thursday night. Their next game is September 27, against Clinton. Be there and support your team!

Varsity softball celebrates another winning season

Abby Dickinson
REPORTER

This year was yet another wonderful year for the lady lancers' softball team. Once again they went to state, although this time they placed second.

They had a lot of changes this year. Both starting pitchers for the Lancers were both sophomores. Angela Hartwig and Sarah Kilen led the girls to another MAC Championship and their winning record of 48-5.

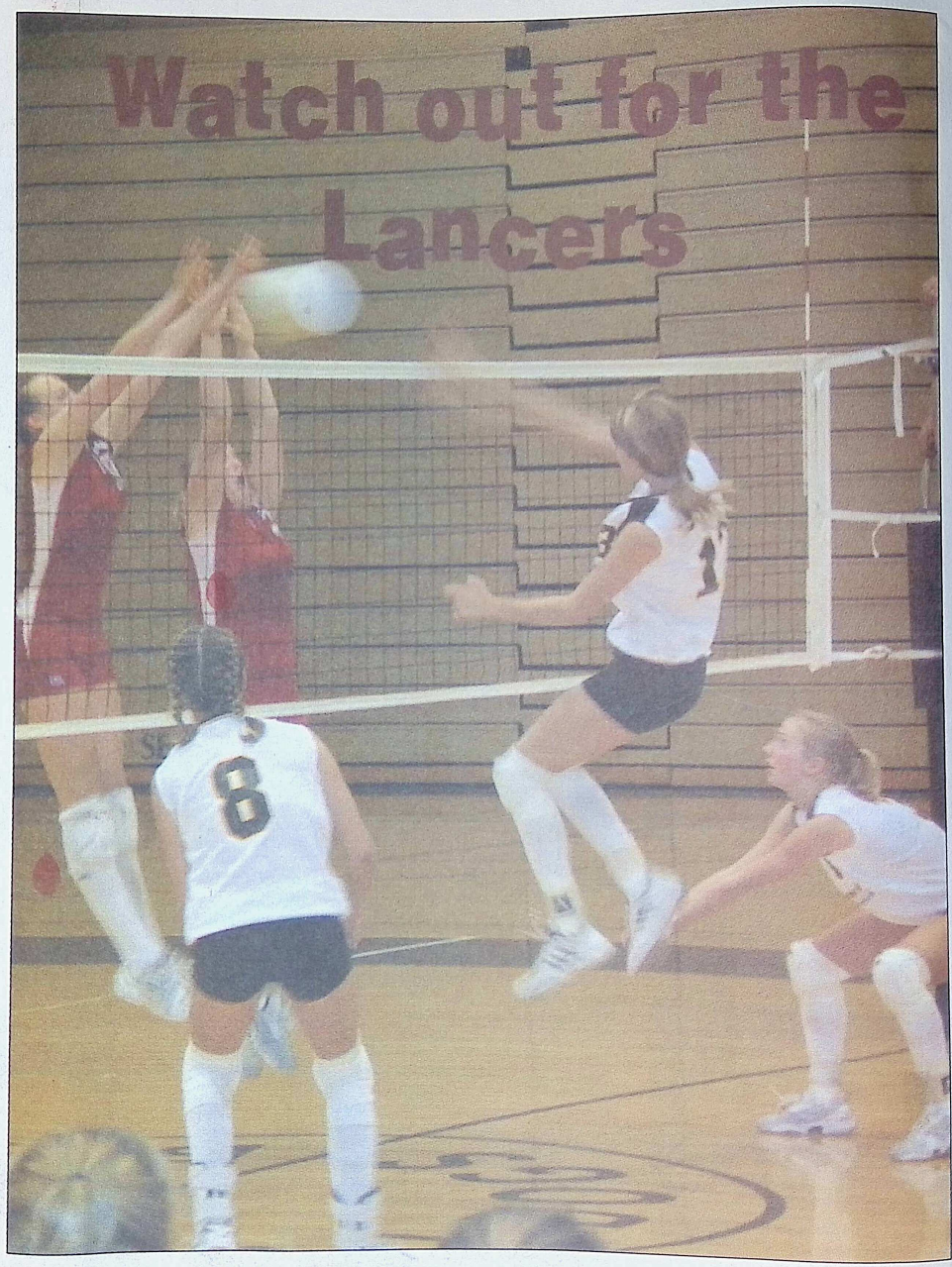
Hartwig and Kilen both had overall winning records as well; Hartwig's record was 28-2 and Kilen's record was 20-3.

"We had a lot of good things working for us this year, the team worked together really well and we had a lot of fun," said Lindsey Schneckloth.

The Lancers lost a huge part of their team this year, Lori Oserberg, the head coach, who got an offer to coach at Louisiana State University. She broke the news to the girls before they went to state but stuck with them through the end of the season. During the season Osterberg achieved her 100th win as North Scott's head coach.

Dennis Johnson, North Scott Athletic Director, says, "We were sad to see her go, we really appreciated her and didn't want to lose her. But this was a great opportunity for her and we support her. She left the softball program at a good level for us."

The girls on the team surprised Osterberg by showing up at the airport the day she left. "She didn't expect anybody to be there, so it was a nice surprise, we just wanted her to know we are going to miss her," said Schneckloth.

The new head coach next year will be Jay Chelf, Dean of Students. With a new coach, and quality pitching, our North Scott Lady Lancers are sure have an exciting season.

Watch out for the Lancers